

**Indian Mountain Recreation and Park District**  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Saturday July 12, 2008**  
**Office and Board Meeting Facility**

- Called to Order at 10 am—Welcome and Introductions
- Additions to the Agenda: None
- Board Attendance: Fred Burdick, Susan Stoval, Susan Bigham, Glenn Haas, and Joe Bush (sworn in as first point of business)
- IMRPD Board Members Absent/Excused: None

Public in attendance (15):

Bob Einarsen	Nancy Einarsen	Carol Beatty	Peter Beatty
Dennis Burke	Tim Higgins	Ann Schneidewind	Bill Schneidewind
Karyn Pedersen	Ursula Getrost	Lou DeCarolis	Forest Wheeler
Judy Wells	Liana Mattulich	Midge Wheeler	

**Agenda**

**Joe Bush**

- Fred introduced and swore in Joe Bush to the District’s Board.

*Motion Approved Unanimously:* The Board agreed to appoint Joe Bush to the District’s Board of Directors as treasurer for a two-year term till May 2010. He is appointed as the replacement for Jim Linn who resigned on May 18, 2008

**Secretary’s Report (Haas)**

*Motion Approved Unanimously:* The Board approved the June 12, 2008, Board Meeting Minutes

**Acting Treasurer’s Report (Burdick)**

- Fred distributed the June 30, 2008 balance sheet and the list of checks issued in June
- Balances: ~\$308K (\$127K in general fund; \$122K in money market #1; \$56K in money market #2)
- Haas pointed out that the intent is to post the monthly Total Current Assets sheet on the website for each access and Board transparency. All budgets materials are of course available at the office.

*Motion Approved Unanimously:* The Board agreed to accept the treasurer’s report.

**President’s Report on Old Business (Burdick)**

- IMRPD Board of Director’s Search---The Board and audience welcomed Joe Bush to the Board
- Website update ([www.indianmountain.info](http://www.indianmountain.info)) ---Glenn reported that progress was slowed by the unexpected need to spend considerable time searching and interviewing prospective law firms to represent the District. The plan is to get back on this task ASAP. Lou DeCarolis encouraged that we build into the website a way for people to dialogue and ask questions.
- June 28 Picnic status----Susan S. offered big compliments to the Auxiliary Committee for the excellent job in hosting the community picnic at the IM picnic pavilion. Over 150 people participated. The Board also recognized Susan S. for her hard work. The audience commented that the picnic was very enjoyable, the tent expensive for justifiable and important, and that we need to address dogs off leash.
- Newsletter status---Glenn reported that IMPOA fully supports a joint newsletter pending written legal counsel. Our new legal counsel, Bob Cole, indicated that a joint newsletter is legal and will prepare a written statement to that effect shortly. The District Board continues to support the idea. Glenn agreed to draft a letter of agreement for IMPOA and IMRPD to review and approve to ensure a common understanding.
- Haas position with IMPOA---Glenn reported that the IMPOA Board voted on the 27<sup>th</sup> for him to step down as president and serve as secretary for the remaining 9 months of his IMPOA term. The reason was voluntary

and was meant to reduce any appearance of conflict of interest while ensuring that a strong working relationship between the District and IMPOA is rebuilt.

- Frisbee golf tournament update---plans continue for the August 16<sup>th</sup> tournament with flyers posted.
- State Trust Lands in IM update---Glenn introduced IMPOA Board member Karyn Pedersen who updated the Board and audience on the situation with the 640 acres south of IM and on her communication with the State Land Board. Karyn reminded the Board to ask for legal counsel on whether District money can be spent on items outside the boundary of the District. Glenn expressed interest is reviewing a copy of the grazing lease.
- 2009-2013 Strategic Plan---Glenn briefly described the 6-month planning process the Board will take in order to develop its strategic plan. The process will include recreation survey of all property owners and several different times for the community to express their thoughts.
- 2008 Recreation Survey---as part of the strategic planning process, a recreation survey will be sent to all 2050 IM property owners. The survey has gone through five drafts with input from ten or so community members. The survey will be sent to the printers on July 14<sup>th</sup> and a response due no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Motion Approved Unanimously:* The Board agrees to begin the planning process in order to develop a 4-year strategic plan and, as part of that process, to mail the 2008 recreation survey to all IM property owners this month.

### **New Business (Burdick)**

- New Legal Counsel---Glenn read to the audience the June 25<sup>th</sup> email from Richard Toussaint indicating “I have concluded that it is probably better for you (i.e., IMRPD) to obtain other counsel at this time.” No further explanation was given and a copy of his correspondence was given to all interested guests. Since that time Haas has contacted four firms, interviewed two, and recommended one. This topic was discussed at length at the July 10th study session. The recommended legal counsel is Bob Cole, of Collins, Cockrell and Cole, representing some 200 special districts and having the distinction of being the lead firm to draft the 1982 special district legislation and the 2008 Special District Manual.

*Motion Approved Unanimously:* The Board agrees to retain Bob Cole of Collins, Cockrell and Cole as the District’s new legal counsel.

*Motion Approved Unanimously:* The Board agrees to allocate monies for written legal advice on (a) a joint newsletter with IMPOA, (b) the legality of the IM covenants passed in the spring 2008, and (c) whether District money can be spent on a State Trust land recreation lease that would be technically outside the District’s boundary.

- Disaster Protection---Susan S. expressed concern about the need to keep our records safe in the event of fire, water, or other disasters. Our paper and electronic files have no protection at this time. It was agreed that Susan would prepare a plan of action for the Board including fire safe storage files and electronic backup options.

### **Public Comments**

Numerous questions and comments were made by the public throughout the meeting in a most constructive manner. Most of the comments were about the issues previously discussed in the minutes, but several additional items included:

- Consideration of Pickle Ball
- Be sure to consider wildlife values and impacts in the strategic plan
- Concern with uranium mining
- Concern about light pollution
- Forms are available to file complaints for LUR violations
- There was concern and confusion about the role and process guiding the ad-hoc committee for the community center. The committee disbanded and will not be activated at this time.

### **Next Meeting**

- August 9, 2008: Saturday, 10am - 1pm as needed: Regular Board Business Meeting

**Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am Minutes recorded and prepared by Glenn Haas, IMRPD Secretary  
These minutes were approved by the Board on August 9, 2008.**